



# KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

## **CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Please note:**

**This correspondence must be delivered at EVERY COUNCIL MEETING.**

**This correspondence can be divided and given to relevant Officers in the Council. If the Officer role is vacant then the Grand Knight will read out that part of this correspondence.**



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## The Supreme Knight

Brothers,

As we move into the month of December and the season of Advent, normally I would tell you all where I have been and what I have done over the last couple of months. Well that juggernaut was brought to a standstill, by a virus called covid. I was in isolation when I wrote this, but wherever I caught it it cannot take away the joy I felt at attending COP26 in Glasgow from the 1st to the 3rd November. We talk about fraternity within this order well it was on display in abundance in Glasgow. Originally Brother Danny was supposed to stay with me in North Wales but because of covid we had to head to Glasgow with nowhere to stay for the night. In steps Brothers Charlie McCluskey and Danny McNeil and their wives and put up with us for the night!!thank you great Scottish breakfasts. We also had Brothers John O'Donnell and Dom Shannon who drove us to Moffatt because they felt we were too tired to drive. Brothers thank you.

Where do I start, we arrived in Carfin for a torchlight procession on the Sunday. Brother John O'Donnell Myself and Brother Danny and about 70 others unfortunately I would have said we expected a lot more people there, but it turned out to be a lovely service.

We headed to Head Office where I had some work to do, and then were in St Mary's by 3pm. We eventually got wi-fi working and teamed up with Brother Sean Smith. From there on in it was just highlight after highlight. What a wonderful opening Mass and fantastic words of praise from Canon Tom, for that we thank you. Then came the start of the long haul, Brothers came in on their designated hours and did fantastic jobs. From Brother Bertie to a wonderful recitation by Walsall council all through the night Brother Ray Pealing and Province 2. I really cannot commend the Brothers enough the Supreme Directors support was phenomenal thank you.

It would be remiss of me not to mention Brother Frank from 429 council who came in for an hour on his way to work and then the same after work, and took his lunch break to attend the closing Mass.

Brother Gavin Kerr from Clydebank council who kept us going through the night. Deacon Joe Gallagher who spent four hours with us during Tuesday night and gave us a wonderful reflection on the Rosary and The Stations of the Cross. We have to thank Bishop John Keenan Bishop of Paisley who concelebrated mass with Bishop John Arnold from Salford who took the time out of their schedules to be with us. Brother John Kenyon who stayed up into the small



## The Supreme Knight

Another fabulous period was when the Knights of Columbanus took over for six hours and we had mass from Knock. Where was our support?

Archbishop Cushley from Edinburgh who took four hours out of his day to be with us. Brothers Jim Bryce and Brian Beaton, Frank Kelly who came and gave us such support and strength to continue our journey.

For me the most poignant part was at 4am on Wednesday morning I was hallucinating and Brother Roy Hyde-Linekar and our anchor man Brother Sean Smith took over and did two hours for us that allowed us to prepare for or move to St. Alphonsus.

After all the wonderful things that happened, I have to ask the question

**WHERE WERE OUR BROTHERS?**

Jesus said to his disciples can you not stay awake with me for one hour!!

That is all we asked we have been trying to put things on yet we struggle to get Brothers to attend. I have to say 1 regional director 20 brothers elevated in Aylesford none there are we not getting the message across what are we doing wrong we have nearly 3,000 members I do not think we had more than 25 at any given time on Zoom during the forty hours, but we had over 4,000 hits on Facebook we must be doing something right. Brothers we should be leading from the front and I would hope to see the board collectively at things in the future.

We are heading into the season of Advent which is a time of longing and looking to the future, let promise each other now we will try to do better.

I and my family would like to wish all Brothers and their families, Widows and Clergy a happy and Holy Christmas and a prosperous New year .

Fraternally

Henry Welsh

Supreme Knight.



## Membership & Development

Dear Brothers,

As you're no doubt aware, the Order led the 40 hours Adoration in Glasgow for the COP26 Conference. I was lucky enough to be there throughout the whole event. But how does this relate to Membership?

The only other 2 Brothers to complete the 40 hours were the Supreme Knight Bro Harry Welsh and the PGK of Province 1 Bro John O'Donnell. Leading from the front and I thank them both for their company and prayerful witness. As our bodies slowly shutdown, you could sense us becoming closer to Christ as each long hour passed.

I also had the privilege of meeting 3 men my age who made the effort to attend nearly all of the 40 hours. I'm sure they won't mind me mentioning them – Bros Dominic Shannon and Gavin Kerr from Province 1 and Bro Frank Gordon from Province 16. As the hours ticked on by, especially over the 2 nights we were awake, I could see first hand what the Knights of Columba means to these men. It plays an intrinsic part of their lives. All 3 have wives and families yet made time for the KSC. They, like me, don't always see eye to eye with the Council they belong and find the meetings sometimes are long and yes, let's be open here, boring. But we all know there is more to Knights service than sitting in Council Chambers across the country talking about the 'good old days'. Our younger men are hungry for Catholic action and service and we mustn't hold them back if they have new ideas. Some ideas may not be everyone's cup of tea but we are in a position now where we must at least try any new ventures brought onto the table by our younger Brothers.

Bring them up to hold Office as soon as they are able to. I hear so many times that there is no chance for 'promotion' in the Order. Why? What are we afraid of? I hear from Brothers that younger Brothers aren't ready to hold Office within their Provinces or Councils? Why? What exactly is the sticking point to allow younger men to take charge of a particular Office? I joined the Order in 2013 and was elected to the Board of Directors in 2019. Am I not 'inexperienced'? I then was elected to Supreme Director in 2021. Still too inexperienced? Let's look beyond the years of experience and take

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## Membership & Development

the man at face value. If he is a Full Knight in good standing, he should be holding Office and effecting positive change within the Order. We are overcomplicating our roles and positions and we must look at the example of Jesus. He was 30 and only had 3 years to make an impression. Lets try and imitate Him and look beyond the colour of your collar and what experience you judge to be necessary as we move into the 21st century.

We are moving into the 21st, yes. We have a new Supreme Knight with a array of fresh ideas to kick start the Order from its slumber post Covid. Can you join in National event and support your Brothers no matter what part of the country you live? Make new friends and see how the

Knights in Action can reinvigorate your own Province. We then finish our year at Supreme Council on the Island of Jersey in October 2022.

What isn't there to like and look forward to...?

I'll be looking out for Brothers Dominic, Gavin and Frank over the coming years. The pleasure meeting you all was all mine.

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Sarah and I wish you and your families a wonderful Christmas and a healthy new year. 2022 will be the year for the Knights of St Columba to prosper once again! Please do let me know any thoughts, ideas, and suggestions – [membership@ksc.org.uk](mailto:membership@ksc.org.uk)

Fraternal wishes,

Danny Ó hEarchaí

Supreme Director for Membership & Development

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## Membership & Development



St Mary's, Calton, Glasgow.

40 Hours....

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## Action & Social

After finally recovering from Covid 19 (I lost 9lbs in 10 days) it has also made me reflect on the Knights and our mission. There are times when we all need help. We need to ensure that our fraternity shines through, via Action. Actions prove who someone is, words just prove who they want to be.

**200 Club** - We have launched this new initiative to raise much needed funds for the Orders mission. We are asking you to buy yearly shares, this includes Brothers, friends and families. Half of the total sum raised will go to The Apostolates Fund and the other half is distributed on a monthly basis to winning 'shareholders' whose share numbers are drawn. We have our first 93 shareholders already. The first draw will be on 1<sup>st</sup> December at Head Office. PLEASE SEE DETAILS ATTACHED.

**Consecration to St Joseph** - The Supreme Knight wishes to invite all brothers to join him in a six-week Consecration to St Joseph by saying the Rosary. We started on Wednesday the 20th of October and will finish on Wednesday 8th December the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. To get the zoom codes please contact head office.

**Christmas** - The Keep Christmas in Christmas posters, reverse Advent calendars, cards, etc, are available now from Head Office.

**Lourdes Trip** - If we can get enough numbers, we are looking to arrange a trip to Lourdes to mark the Feast of St Columba. We need at least 25 to go via plane and at least 30 to go via Coach. To make it financially viable SEE ATTACHED.

**Grand National Draw** - Tickets are available now. If you have not received, please contact Head Office.

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## Action & Social

**National Action Project** - The John Foster Memorial Home in India. Brothers now that lockdown is over can you re-double your efforts by the time our fundraising for this mission ends in September 2022. The next National Action Project from October 2022 is called 'Let The Children Live', more details to follow in due course.

### **BREAKING NEWS>>>>**

The Bishops Conference have agreed to accept the Relics of St Bernadette for a tour of the England, Wales and Scotland during September and October 2022. The inspiration and aim behind the visit is twofold: To promote pilgrimage to Lourdes and to reignite practice in the Catholic faith

In the initial draft of the itinerary, they have included a visit to every diocese in the country and many of the university Catholic Chaplaincies. They are reaching out to Catholic organizations including the KSC to ask them to consider how they might assist & showcase their association during the tour. I am sure we will step up and once again show what our Order is all about. This a great time to recruit new members.

If you are on Facebook please join the KSC Action & Social page for more news.

**Bro Stephen Ferris**

**Supreme Director – Action & Social**

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KNIGHTS OF ST.COLUMBA

GRAND NATIONAL DRAW 2022

PROVINCE NO.....

SUMMARY OF RETURNS MADE BY COUNCILS IN THE PROVINCE

(To be completed in duplicate and one copy kept by Province)

| Council Number | No of Bros. in Co. | No of Books Allocated |  | No of Books Sold | Value of Books Sold | Commission Deducted @ 5% | Commission Deducted @ 10% |  | AMOUNT Received from Council |
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| Totals         |                    |                       |  |                  |                     |                          |                           |  |                              |

TOTAL AMOUNT received from Councils £ \_\_\_\_\_

LESS Provincial Commission - 2.5% of above total £ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount for which cheque (payable to Knights of St.Columba)  
Is ENCLOSED. £ \_\_\_\_\_

Provincial Grand Knight’s signature.....

Province No..... Date.....

Please send this form, the counterfoils and your cheque so that they arrive at Head Office no later than **Wednesday 23rd March 2022.**

Please ensure that the parcel is securely packed, that the outside is marked “FROM PROVINCE No.....” and send it by special delivery to Head Office, Knights of St Columba, 75 Hillington Road South, Glasgow. G52 2AE.

**KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA**

75 Hillington Road South  
Glasgow G52 2AE.

November 2021

TO: PROVINCIAL GRAND KNIGHTS  
COPY TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Sir and Brother,

**GRAND NATIONAL DRAW 2022**

1. All Councils have been supplied with a Remittance Form to cover the return of sold Counterfoils that are to be entered in the Draw. They have been asked to make their return to you in time for all the counterfoils to be at Head Office by 23rd March 2022
2. The Provincial Remittance Form to cover the returns from all Councils within your Province is enclosed. Please note that the information that is being requested is less than in previous years and as a result we hope that each Province will make a full return using the issued form.
3. The three prizes for the best selling Councils will be based upon these Remittance Forms.
3. **DESPATCH TO HEAD OFFICE**  
All returns together with counterfoils of **SOLD** tickets and cheque for the amount due, must reach Head Office **NO LATER THAN 23rd March 2022. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL TICKETS BE AT HEAD OFFICE BY THIS DATE TO ENSURE THEIR INCLUSION IN THE DRAW.**

First Class Letter Post - Special Delivery and should be addressed to –

HEAD OFFICE  
Knights of St. Columba  
75 Hillington Rd. South  
Glasgow. G52.2AE.

And should show on the outside of the parcel PROV. NO.....

4. The Provincial Grand Knights must retain all unsold tickets until the Gaming Board have approved our final returns.
5. The Grand National Draw will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and the race will be run on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

**M T Young**  
**PROMOTER OF THE LOTTERY**

**KNIGHTS OF ST.COLUMBA**

75 Hillington Road South,  
Glasgow, G52 2AE.

November 2021

TO: ALL GRAND KNIGHTS

COPY TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
PROVINCIAL GRAND KNIGHTS

Dear Sir and Brother,

**GRAND NATIONAL DRAW 2022**

There is still a little time in which to sell any tickets that may still be in Brothers' hands. One never knows, but it could be from these last minute sales that someone might be better off after the race by up to £1500. Please encourage Brothers to make one final effort. Please advise us of how many Brothers there are in your Council.

**RETURN OF COUNTERFOILS ETC.**

All Counterfoils, money and unsold Tickets **MUST** be returned to your Provincial Grand Knight, or Provincial Organiser, as soon as possible.

Two copies of the Council Remittance Form are enclosed for completion. One copy to be retained on your Council Files, the other copy to be forwarded to your Provincial Grand Knight, or Provincial Organiser, together with -

- (a) Counterfoils of all sold tickets
- (b) Cheque for the amount due  
Cheque made payable to K.S.C. PROVINCE.....
- (c) All unsold tickets.

Your full co-operation in adhering to these instructions, will be much appreciated, not only by your Province, but also by Head Office.

Please accept our grateful thanks for all your efforts in promoting this Grand National Draw.

The Grand National Draw will take place on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

**MT Young**  
**PROMOTER OF THE LOTTERY**

FROM COUNCIL NO.....

**KNIGHTS OF ST.COLUMBA**  
**GRAND NATIONAL DRAW 2022**

TO: PROVINCIAL GRAND KNIGHT OR PROVINCIAL ORGANISER,  
PROVINCE NO \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNCIL REMITTANCE FORM**

I received.....Books of Lottery Tickets which are accounted for as detailed below.

|    |   |               |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1. | ..... BOOKS OF TICKETS SOLD<br>(State number) at £5.00 per book are enclosed.     | £.....        |
| 2. | .....UNSOLD BOOKS with counterfoils<br>(State number) attached are also enclosed. | NIL           |
|    | <b>TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED</b>  | <b>£.....</b> |

I have deducted the following commission on these sales -

|     |  |     |        |
|-----|--|-----|--------|
| (a) | For average sales up to £5 per brother | 5%  | £..... |
| (b) | Average sales above £5 per brother     | 10% | £..... |

I enclose cheque for the amount of: £.....

Cheque made payable to K.S.C. PROVINCE NO.....

Date.....Signed.....Grand Knight

**VERY IMPORTANT**

This form together with (a) cheque, (b) Counterfoils of Tickets **SOLD**, (c) all unsold Tickets are to be returned to your Provincial Grand Knight, or Provincial Organiser **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.

If sending by post, please make sure that all items are securely packed and correctly addressed.



## Action & Social

### 200 CLUB

The aim of the scheme is to raise a regular income for the Apostolate Fund, which will be used for charitable projects, whilst creating a bit of fun and giving you a chance of winning your money back and more.

#### **How it works**

Up to 200 people buy one or more 'shares' per year. Half of the total sum raised will go to

The Apostolate Fund and the other half is distributed on a monthly basis to winning "shareholders" whose share numbers have been drawn.

The cost of each yearly share is £24 (£2 per month). Shareholders may hold more than one share. The amount of £24 per share is payable on completion of application which is attached. If you no longer wish to participate in the club, we kindly ask that you notify the 200 Club Head Office in writing when you do so.

#### **Shares**

Each share is numbered and that number belongs to the member to whom it is allocated for as long as he or she is a fully paid-up member of the Knight of St Columba 200 Club.

#### **Monthly Prize Draw**

All share numbers are included in the monthly draw. The draw will be made at HO using a number generator on the 1st of each month. Prize Money depends on the number of paid-up shareholders. Winners will be notified by Head Office via the monthly Bulletin.

For Example – if all the shares are sold:

Income per annum from 200 shares @ £24 per share = £4800

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## Action & Social

£2400 Profit for the Apostolate Fund

£2400 Prize Money split over 12 months as follows:

(FIRST PRIZE £100-00 / SECOND PRIZE £50-00 / THIRD PRIZE £25-00 x 2)

Your interest and support are greatly appreciated and we hope you will want to take part in this fundraising scheme.

[Knights of St Columba 75 Hillington Road South, Glasgow. G52 2AE](#)

[Tel: 0151 883 5700](tel:01518835700) [email: headoffice@ksc.org.uk](mailto:headoffice@ksc.org.uk)

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# KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

*SERVE GOD BY SERVING OTHERS*

I wish to join the Knights of St Columba 200 Club. Please enter my name and address to the list of members. I understand that the Annual Membership fee is £24 per number. and payable until further notice.

Winners will be contacted by Head office and announced in the Monthly Bulletin

Please complete in **BLOCK CAPITALS**

| Share Number(s) Required | Annual Fee | Total |
|--------------------------|------------|-------|
|                          | £24        |       |

|            |          |
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| Name:      | Council: |
| Address:   |          |
| Telephone: |          |
| Email:     |          |
| Signature: | Date:    |

Please indicate Payment Method: ( please tick)

1 Payment or 2 please state

| Bank Transfer | Cheque |
|---------------|--------|
| 1             | 2      |

Please pay to: Knight of St Columba No 1 Account

Account Number: 00188958

Sort Code: 83-21-06

Reference: Surname 200 Club

**Data Protection Privacy Notice:**

The information that you provide on this form will only be used for the 200 Club purposes. The information that you provide on this form will not be transferred to any third party for their own marketing or fundraising purposes. The details that you provide on this form will be immediately deleted and destroyed when you inform us that you no longer want to be a member of the 200 club.

Head Office: [75 Hillington Road South, Glasgow G52 2AE](https://www.ksc.org.uk)

Tel: 0141 883 5700

Email: [headoffice@ksc.org.uk](mailto:headoffice@ksc.org.uk)





## Spirituality & Welfare

With the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Lord Jesus Christ, Anne and myself wish you and your families a happy and peaceful Christmas, may your family be blessed with joy and an abundance of love at this beautiful time in Our Churches year.

Fraternal Cross: Over the coming years the Fraternal Cross will again be going around the Order, along with this the Knights of St Columbanus (Ireland) presented our Order with a beautiful fraternal cross making our centenary, it is made of Irish Oak and beautifully carved, this will be accompanying the IACK fraternal Cross on it travels.

I hope to release dates in the January Bulletin, on a safety note the Irish Cross it is recommended that two Brothers work together when lifting and carrying it.

My plea to all Brothers is to take care of both crosses, as in 2019 when the IACK fraternal cross came back to Supreme Council minus it case, it was damaged as was the case when that arrived back, my gratitude to Brother John O'Donnell (PGK Province 1) who not only had it professionally repaired but at his own cost.

In 2019 I did have complaints in particular smaller and the larger Provinces that they either had it for too long or not long enough, in an effort to correct this I have emailed the Regional Directors asking how long they would want it for in their region. Further details in next month's bulletin.

Daily Mass Scheme: Around 20 years ago we stopped the daily Mass scheme, Our worthy Supreme Knight has asked that I reintroduce it next year, a list will be introduced in January giving the date for each council to organise their daily Mass.

The Mass intention will be for the

“Deceased members of the Knights of St. Columba family”

this will include our Brother Knights, family members of our Brothers and members of honour who have died.

A short form will go with it, asking, Council Name and Number?, Date their Mass allocated?, was the Mass said on that day? Yes/No, if No reason the Mass was not said? Number of Brothers in attendance?

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## **Spirituality & Welfare**

Winter Care: As we are in the months of winter weather, where we will have cold, ice and snow, we must take care of our Brothers, Widows and Clergy many of who will fall into the older age bracket.

I encourage all Brothers and Councils please stay in regular contact with everybody connected to your council, ensure they are well, and in particular keeping warm, many older people are reluctant to put the heating on due to the cost, (I found my own father sitting with a coat on and blankets trying to stay warm so I know it happens because he was worried about the cost of heating) hypothermia is a killer, I would hate to find any of my Brother Knights, Widows or clergy dying because no one bothers to make a phone call.

Depression: We hear a lot about mental health these days far more than in the past, one of the most common is depression, one common cause for depression particularly in the winter months is the long dark nights when loneliness sets in and the feeling that no one loves, cares or thinks about them, sending them into a downward spiral of depression.

Please Brothers let us ensure than nobody connected to our Order feels lonely, make that call 2 or 3 times a week if needed let them know they are loved, cared for and thought of by their Brother Knights let us all live up to our virtues of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

God Bless and Keep you all safe and well.

**Sean Mulligan**

**Supreme Director for Spirituality and Welfare.**

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# Youth & Young People

YOUTH AND YOUNG PEOPLE

READ AND ACTION THIS IMPORTANT BULLETIN.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PROVINCIAL & COUNCIL YOUTH OFFICERS

Brothers, this is the last Bulletin in the year 2021 and more importantly, this piece is being written as Advent is upon us. Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. Let us prepare fully Brothers, helping to bring our Young People up in his likeness by keeping Christ in their lives with all that we have to offer them. Please, encourage our Young People at every opportunity. Especially since they have been away from Church and not enjoying the word of God physically and in person for nearly 2yrs. The Synod process is taking place across the land, many Parish Councils, Parish committees and Positions are there to be filled. We as Knights should be ready to assist our Parish Community. May God help us all as we Serve God by Serving Others. The committee and myself will welcome any feedback about everything we are asking you to do. Are there any feedback from your Brothers, Schools, Parish Groups and other organisations? What feedback have you had Brothers? Please give any feedback from your area of the Country by email to : [headoffice@ksc.org.uk](mailto:headoffice@ksc.org.uk) and [youth@ksc.org.uk](mailto:youth@ksc.org.uk)

Facebook- KSC Youth and Young People

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/617421102214099>

Copy and paste the above into your browser and join the group in person or as your Council or Province. Visit the page as and when you can. Items posted daily, weekly. This saves you receiving these items as emails so often. You will find Youth centric items from various known sources that you can share to your Schools, Parish, Province or Council Facebook pages or emails.

Reminders

Virtual Zoom Youth and Young People Officers Workshop/Training day.

Date to be confirmed.

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## Youth & Young People

Opportunity to talk about all things Youth and Young People.

- Ideas about doing the Youth Role at Provincial and Council Level.
- The Orders Own Competitions and its Promotion.
- Go through all the different promotional ideas sent out and the benefits to the Young People and membership recruitment.
- Our Partner Organisations events and Competitions.
- Talk about the Columba Trophy organised by Brother Adrian de Redman in Province 18 Birmingham. Talk about the Young People Award by Province 10 Brentwood. Talk about the KSC Young People Award and the KSC Speech Writing and Reading Competition. Talk about COP26 and Youth and Young People ideas that we can use going forward.
- Promotion of the Facebook page and posts by Brothers to showcase their successes.
- Explain about the Zoom Youth Seminar and the Residential Seminar Programme.

Committee Members are looking at Sports Youth events that can be showcased.

**Zoom details will be forwarded to WPGK's, Prov.Youth Officers, WGK's Council Youth Officers as soon as dates are fixed.**

**Can I implore our WPGK's and WGK's to ensure that they personally communicate this to their Prov.Officers and Council Youth Officers when date and time announced. The relevant Officers and their Committee Brothers and any Brother should attend and Join this event.**

**Re: KSC Youth Competitions**

**NATIONAL COMPETITIONS 2021/2022 - ENGLAND, WALES AND SCOT-**

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## Youth & Young People

### LAND

- 1) Nativity Scene Painting: Primary Grades 4 to 7 years of age. 4th February 2022
- 2) Nativity Scene Painting: Primary Grades 7 to 11 years of age. 4th February 2022

It is not too late to send the Nativity Painting especially to your Schools, Parish and Catechists.

**Note: As with all the Supreme Directors Report in this Head Office Bulletin. Can I respectfully remind each Provincial and Council Officer that they are required to include a precis/summary of the HO Bulletin in their written Provincial and Council reports, in order to bring it to the attention of the Brothers when emailed in the Provincial and Council Newsletter and Minutes. At the very least he should read it out in the Council meeting.**

My comments for December 2021 follows: Provinces and Councils are electing their Officers for the KSC year 2022/2023. My hope is that you will ensure each Brother elected will be trained and given every assistance in doing the Role by the Province and the Council. Get in touch if you require assistance and a Zoom session can be arranged and advice given. It is my hope that every Provincial Youth Officer, Council Youth Officer will feel that they are a member of the Supreme Youth Committee. As such, Brothers can share ideas about the work we are all doing for our Young People.

### Things to do

- Can you ask your Primary/Secondary School, College or University Catholic Chaplaincy if you could come in and introduce the Knights of St Columba to them in 3-5mins?
- Can you ask the Parish Priest if you can speak about Youth at all your weekend Masses given 3-5mins at each one of your Parishes?
- Can you ask your Parish Priest if you can speak to the Holy Communion Children and Confirmation Young People given 3-5mins during their Programme about our commitment to Youth and Our Youth Programmes and the

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## Youth & Young People

KSC?

- Can you organise a Funday in your Parish with refreshment for Youth and Young People?
- Can you organise a Spiritual Topical day with Benediction at the end with your Parish Priest or his Curate for Young People 16yrs-upwards with refreshments?

Some of the above can then be repeated twice a year or annually as permitted. Please give us a feedback for every event you manage. **Also, remember safeguarding in all that you do with and around Young People.**

Let us know of any help you need regarding promotion into your Schools, Parishes, and Church Groups? Let us know of any ideas that you have that will make all our work better please? I want to thank you all on behalf of the Youth and Young People Committee and myself.

### Things to come.

The Year of St Joseph Youth Competition

KSC Young People Award

KSC Speech Writing and Reading Competition

Youth and Young People Zoom Virtual Seminar-Officers and Council Brothers.

Youth Seminar dates- TBC

The Youth and Young People Supreme Committee wish you and your families well in Faith, Family and Fraternity. We wish you all a Holy and Happy Christmas.

Fraternally,

**Michael Akinrele**

**Supreme Director for Youth and Young People.**

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## Media

Dear Brothers,

### **Columba Magazine**

At the time of writing your Autumn 2021 Edition of Columba Magazine had yet to be dispatched. As a result, and that we are almost complete in editing the Winter 2021/22 Edition it has been decided that we will instead send out the Autumn 2021 and Winter 2021/22 Editions together in the same pack. Please can you let Brothers, Widows, MoH's and Clergy know. This will be delivered before Christmas.

### **eColumba**

As we have appointed a new Editor for eColumba, and that some training is necessary to be able to get up to speed, there will be no eColumba until January 2022. Please welcome Brother Patrick Boyle to the Media Committee.

If there is any content that you would like to see in eColumba then please let Brother Patrick know by emailing the content, or any suggestions for eColumba, to [ecolumba@ksc.org.uk](mailto:ecolumba@ksc.org.uk) by December 23rd please.

### **KSC Website**

It has now been agreed that the KSC Website will go through another rebuild. As was the same last year we ask that you bear with us during this time. The current website will remain in situ whilst the new look website is built in the background.

There will be very few, if any, updates to the current website whilst this work goes on

The new look website will be a lot more interactive and will have a great fresh new look.

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## Media

### **Email Addresses**

We are currently working through our way for all PGK's to be added to the Email list. If a PGK is desperate to get on the system please feel free to email us at [media@ksc.org.uk](mailto:media@ksc.org.uk) and title the email "PGK Email System" and we will be in contact with you as soon as we can.

### **Merry Christmas**

Brother Tom Knight, Brother Patrick Boyle, Brother Michael Gallagher, Brother Ray Harden and of course Supreme Director Brother Sean wish to take this opportunity to wish all Brothers, their families, our Widows, Members of Honour and Clergy a Holy and Peaceful Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

### **Why not join us?**

We are always looking at ways to innovate and move the Order forward. If you are energetic and good with a computer, then why not join the Media Committee. All great ideas are very welcome!

Sincerely & Fraternaly

**Sean Smith,**

**Supreme Director Communications & Media**

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